

# SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DX CLUB BULLETIN

May, 1975.

May meeting will be held on Thursday, May 1, at Great Western Financial Center, 8484 Wilshire Blvd., Beverly Hills (Wilshire at La Cienega). Meeting begins at 7:30 P.M.

Program will be devoted to discussions on tower litigation, the restructuring docket, etc. There is a possibility that Isao Numa, JA1OCA, operator of C21DX last summer will be our guest. Hopefully arrangements can be made. Please arrive on time or early so the meeting can begin punctually.

## DX NEWS HIGHLIGHTS

COCOS ISLAND, TI9, was active as TI9DX and TI9VHF comprised of operators from TI land. All bands including 160 meters and OSCAR were used. The original group of HB9 operators arrived April 26 and were greeted by a night of heavy rainfall. However, they have been on the air using TI9FAG and one report indicated a stay of fourteen days.

NORFOLK ISLAND, VK4AK/9, has been active on 20 and 15 meters, but he has found efforts on 40 and 75 meters discouraging to the U. S. Gil advised he is trying 3695 at 1100Z, but another source advises from 0600Z. His 40 meter frequency is 7095 beginning at 0600Z. Gil finds conversion to GMT a bit slower on Norfolk. Seems Norfolk is 11 hours 30 minutes ahead of GMT.

PALM ISLAND, VP2SPI, will be activated by the Barbados Radio Society beginning June 20 through June 22. All bands will be used 160 through 10 meters both CW and SSB. The island is located off St. Vincent at 12° 8' N. and 61° 41' W.

CHAGOS, VQ9SS, frequents 21300 from 1600Z. He will be there for 10 more months and looks forward to trying 75 meters.

FERNANDO DE NORONHA, PUØYS PY7YS hopes to activate the three listed to the left during the summer. June and July now appear as the most likely time. PUØYS is planned for one week while the other two are planned as two day stays. QSLs will be via PY7YS. The calls are tentative and subject to change.

GLORIOSO, FR7AI, still expected to develop. Presently the probable date is late May or early June.

MT. ATHOS. Martin, OH2BH has this one under consideration for the near future in hopes of filling the demand for elusive six landers. Numerous ZD3X QSLs were distributed at the Fresno International bash.

CRETE, SVØWKK, attempts to work K6HTM on Mondays, 14210 at 1700Z and the case of a miss he tries again at 1800Z. K6HTM will run a few folks through as long as his RFI permits.

LESOTHO, 7P8AY, schedules K3TUP, Saturdays and Sundays 1800Z at 14215.

TROMELIN, FR7ZL/T, is presently active only on 20 meters using a HW32. He is often on 14118 or other nearby frequencies according to european sources.

MIDWAY ISLAND, KM6EA, has made frequent appearances on 75 and 20 meters using 3802 to 3805 after 0800Z. He is using a KWM-2 linear but the linear has not been working on 75 meters. Even barefooted his signal has been quite readable on 75 meters. On twenty watch 14205 between 0200 and 0300Z. He plans to be there for two years.

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Please mail your May activity reports by May 28 to Harvey Hetland, P. O. Box 73, Altadena, California 91001.

SCDXC Bulletin of the Air: Wednesdays, 7 P. M. local (Thursday 0200 GMT) on 14265 kHz and also on WR6AAC/6 (146.37 in and 146.97 mHz out).

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UGANDA, 5X5NK, tries 3789 kHz around 0400Z or later on Tuesdays.

MARCUS ISLAND, JD1ABZ, frequents 7 MHz CW around 1500Z.

LIECHTENSTEIN, HB0, is supposedly active at the present through May 9 with G3BID/HB, F8TH/HB0, and W2JKN/HB0 being the calls used.

MALI REP., I0LPY/TZ, works 14300 daily at 2100Z but can also be found on other 20 meter SSB frequencies as well as 15 meters.

KINGMAN REEF, KP6, is being mentioned in rumors as a possibility for late June but nothing really firm yet.

SOUTH ORKNEYS, LU1ZA.

The three listed to the left will utilize 3740 from

ANARTICA, LU1ZS and LU1ZR.

0300Z to 0900Z every Friday, Saturday and Sunday

SOUTH SHETLANDS, CE9AT.

through July. Their band edge is 3750 and they

would appreciate having their frequency announced when you work them in order that others might find them.

CHATHAM ISLAND, ZL2RN, has been active on 75 meters. Try 3802 after 0630Z.

FORMOSA, BV2B, has been active Fridays 14225 at 2300Z. Sometimes Tim will move slightly to 14210 or 14250. QSL via K3RLY.

HH2WF has returned to the U. S. 9M2CJ will depart for Europe soon making stops at various spots in the Pacific before coming through Los Angeles early in June. W4BPD plans some DX trips to some rare spots in March, 1976.

NEW COUNTRY PROSPECTS It appears that the administration of Gilbert and Ellice Islands has been separated. Ellice will be using VR8 prefixes and may qualify as a new country. There are presently two amateurs on Ellice and VR1AA handles the licensing for Ellice. Another such possibility are the Northern Line Islands northwest of Tahiti which will be using VR7 prefixes. Jarvis also remains another possible new country under the administration clause. Meanwhile Sikkim has voted to seek statehood with India, the Indian Army has occupied Sikkim, AC3PT reportedly had his last QSO on April 11, and Sikkim is expected to be deleted from the DXCC list at some future date.

HR6SWA will depart Swan Island at the end of April and his replacement named "Jeep" will take over. Jeep's QSLs will go via W3LLL.

WB6LTJ is offering IRCs at 20¢ each in lots of 15 with your SASE for return. Order from Ron Stockton, 1134 19th Street, Hermosa Beach, CA 90254.

VS5MC's plans for Spratly Island have been cancelled due to the political doings. XU1AA is now QRT and departed for the same obvious reason.

YN1AM will often operate 3790 at 0300 to 0400Z and 20 meters from 1400Z. Tourists are now being permitted into the Andamans and Laccadives and three locals are expected to be active: VU7GV, VU2RNI and VU2ANI. DJ3HJ and DJ9ZB made 1500 QSOs from Jordan and are reported considering a trip to Iraq, YI. After 23 years of operating in TR3, TN3, TL3, etc., TR8DG will return to France in August.

The 3C1AGD operation from Fernando Poo originally obtained permission to operate for one week. Upon arrival they were told they could operate only 20 hours (or 24 hours depending on the source). According to one source this was due to a religious event. Some 750 QSOs were made and there is some talk of a return trip to fill the remaining needs.

There are a number of special prefixes coming up. To commemorate the 104th birthday of Lenin and the 30th anniversary of the Nazis defeat there will be DM30, SP30 and UA30 prefixes in use. During the month of May FG7, FM7, FR7 and FY7 may use TK7G, TK7M, TK7R and TK7Y prefixes respectfully. Meanwhile in Sweden

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7SL, 7SM, 7SJ, 7SK, 8SJ, 8SL, 8SM, 8SK, etc. will be used to note the 50th anniversary of the S. S. A. VCLHH will be used by VE1HH to note the centennial of New Glasgow. To keep pace with all of this the FCC announced optional call prefixes for use during 1976.

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BICENTENNIAL CALLSIGNS - FCC has announced the plan for optional use of special prefixes for the Bicentennial year, 1976. The basic plan is that you would use your regular call with a special prefix substituted on the following basis:

$$WB = AB$$
$$W = AC$$
$$K = AD$$

WN = AK

For example, W6CC would become AC6GC. Other prefix substitutions for overseas possessions and for novices overseas are published in May QST. You may use the special prefixes for one year starting January 1, 1976 at 0500Z. Use of the special prefixes is optional and no notification or paperwork of any kind is required by FCC.

WARC '79 - Preparations for the World Administrative Radio Conference in 1979 are proceeding. The first meeting of the U. S. working group on amateur radio is scheduled for May 8 in Washington. Those interested in the background of WARC and the International Telecommunications Union should read "The Significance of the ITU to the Amateur Radio Service" on pages 92 and 93 of May QST.

SPECIAL EVENTS STATION DOCKET - FCC Docket 20111 has been issued and will be effective May 27 establishing rules for licensing of special event stations. Application will be made by letter to FCC, Washington, D. C. with the usual schedule of fees being applied, i. e. \$29.00 total fee. The normal license term will be 30 days and a special event station may not be operated as a portable station. Such licenses will be available only to holders of the Amateur Extra Class or the Advanced Class license.

SURVEY - The ARRL hopes to mail results of their survey on May 2. A summary of my mini-survey taken at local clubs appears on page four of this bulletin.

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### Coming Events:

The 23rd Annual Northwest DX Convention will be hosted by the Western Washington DX Club at the Double Tree Inn next to Southcenter, August 2 and 3. Write WUDXC, 560C - 37th S. W., Seattle, Washington 98126. Registration \$17 before July 21.

10th Annual Burbank Hamfest presented by the Lockheed Employees' Recreational Club Amateur Radio Club, W6LS, at 2314 Empire Avenue, Burbank, Calif. 91504 on May 17 and 18. Registration is \$2.

For those making the Bicentennial in the east next year the ARRL Atlantic Division Convention will be held in Philadelphia July 23, 24, and 25, 1976.

SOME 20282 QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS These are the results of a survey on Docket 20232 conducted at eight clubs by ARRL SW Division Vice Director, W6EJJ, Jay Holladay. Results of the survey taken at the SCDXC are shown separately. There were 199 participants (52 from SCDXC). The breakdown by license:

	SCDXC		Total	
	Yes	No	Yes	No
Should the licensing system encourage upgrading? .....	50	2	190	8
Do you support a code-free VHF license for beginners? .....	23	27	98	93
Should CW remain a requirement for <u>all</u> licenses? .....	31	21	101	93
Should a Communicator be restricted to sub-bands within VHF bands? .....	42	7	150	32
Should Communicators be permitted use of repeaters? .....	18	28	73	109
Is the proposed Communicator power limit too high? .....	29	16	138	42
Is the proposed Novice power limit too high? .....	27	23	106	80
Should Novice & Communicator licenses be renewable? .....	16	34	85	107
Should special modes remain available to Generals? .....	32	17	158	31
Should General and Techs be eligible as trustees, repeater and control licensees? .....	20	30	123	64
Should present Tech. trustees, repeater and control licensees be permitted to continue, .....	27	23	137	48
Should Extra Class phone segments be deleted? .....	14	38	64	127
Should Extra Class written exam be deleted? .....	15	37	64	127
Is the proposed Docket 20202 license structure too complicated? ..	21	24	108	74
Would the proposed privileges in Docket 20202 be enforceable? ..	8	32	52	118
Does the proposal contain sufficient incentive to upgrade? ..	23	21	93	79
Would separate HF & VHF licensing limit scope of an amateur's activity? .....	31	18	126	61
Should there be some common frequencies for HF & VHF licensees? ..	41	9	166	28

Inc. = increase, Dec. = decrease.	SCDXC			Total		
	Inc.	Dec.	Same	Inc.	Dec.	Same
Power limit for Gen. & Tech. should be .....	4	15	31	9	45	138
Power limit for Extra, Adv. & Exp. should be .....	14	1	36	32	21	140
The number of U. S. amateurs should .....	37	0	13	160	1	26

Our thanks to Jay, W6EJJ, for making the above results available.

For Sale - 14AVQ trapped vertical antenna for \$10. - WA6LBP (805) 643-6495.

SCDXC MEMBERSHIP STANDINGS - APRIL, 1975

Mixed Modes

RTTY

Phone Only

<u>Call:</u>	<u>CFD/WKD:</u>
W6AM	320/354
W6ANN	319/347
W6ABA	318/332
W6EPQ	318/328
W6WWQ	318/345
W6NJU	317/340
W6OSU	317/338
W6ID	317/346
W6GLD	317/327
K6NA	316/346
W6REH	316/331
K6QH	315/324
W6EUF	315/323
W6KZS	314/326
W6MWG	314/324
K6CH	313/341
K6YRA	313/323
K6KA	312/317
W6AEM	312/328
W6UQQ	311/333
K6GLC	311/326
W6FW	???/320
W6ANB	310/314
WB6OET	308/316
WB6UDC	308/312
W6EJJ	307/312
W6JKR	302/308
WB6PNB	300/303
W6GC	297/300
K6GWN	282/285
W6LLY	281/286
K6RA	276/285
WB6IXC	272/289
W6MAR	261/265
K6YUI	258/266
W6APW	255/266
K6SSN	247/254
W6LBP	229/241
W6OK	223/254
K6QPH	223/243
W6INH	221/227
WB6EHT	220/239
WB6VZI	210/234
K6VA	202/241
W6KNC	191/205
WB6KUC	170/179
G3DPX/W6	160/181
W6NHX	129/152
W6IRD	114/210
K6YQ	114/132
W6IHK	106/114
W6GUY	45/85

<u>Call:</u>	<u>CFD/WKD:</u>
K6YUI	54/64

160 Meters

<u>Call:</u>	<u>CFD/WKD:</u>
W6RW	25/35

5-BAND DXCC

<u>Call:</u>	<u>Nr:</u>
K6KA	14
W6NJU	15
W6ANN	26
W6JKR	43
W6GLD	47
W6AM	54
W6EJJ	70
W6MAR	127
K6SDR	193
WB6UDC	233
K6SSN	281

5-BAND WAS

<u>Call:</u>	<u>Nr:</u>
K6SSN	51
W6NJU	53
W6JKR	57
W6EJJ	127

<u>Call:</u>	<u>CFD/WKD:</u>
W6AM	320/352
W6REH	316/327
W6NJU	315/332
W6EUF	315/322
K6YRA	311/321
W6FW	???/316
W6MWG	309/318
WB6UDC	307/311
W6KZS	303/311
W6ABA	302/308
W6GLD	300/311
WB6PNB	287/292
W6EPQ	283/300
W6HUR	281/286
K6SVL	280/292
W6AEM	271/286
W6JKR	269/281
W6LLY	260/276
W6OET	259/282
W6KQY	250/261
K6SSN	249/254
W6EJJ	242/255
K6YUI	236/241
WB6EHT	220/239
W6OK	218/247
W6KNC	191/205
W6MFC	191/181
K6SMF	185/210
W6BWG	180/196
W6GHF	173/186
WB6KUC	170/179
W6IRD	114/210
K6JGV	95/225
K6VA	90/157

First figure is countries confirmed less deleted countries, as for Honor Roll.  
Second number is all countries worked including deletions, whether confirmed or not.

This listing reflects the club's new policy regarding listings above the Honor Roll cut.

The next update will be in the October, 1975, issue. Please advise the editor of changes, corrections, etc.

## DXCC FEES REVISITED:

Much of the Fresno International DX Forum was devoted to the question of the ARRL's recently announced DXCC fees. Ellen White, WYLY, from ARRL provided some cost figures for handling different DXCC applications based on a cost analysis done by the ARRL staff:

	<u>U. S. Application:</u>	<u>DX Application:</u>
10 card application (endorsement)	\$ 4.07	\$ 4.13
20 card application (endorsement)	5.44	5.57
100 card application	9.00	10.50
200 card application	14.00	17.00

No cost estimate was given for 5BDXCC applications. If I understood correctly these figures do not include the \$6000 annual cost for QST space for DXCC listings, staff time devoted to DXCC correspondence, staff overtime spent on DXCC, and expenses for providing Operating Aid No. 7. These figures do include an overhead factor. Each application received is inventoried, old records are pulled, and updates are entered keeping the cost of handling even a 10 card endorsement high.

Many of the complaints about the new fees centered around a feeling that DXCC had been singled out. This was partly defended with an explanation that the same would soon apply to other areas as well, and plans to charge for the Repeater Directory in the future were used as an example. Director Gmelin voiced his feeling that at the time he voted on Minute 25 at the last board meeting he had no expectation that such a fee schedule would result.

A consensus of the audience was attempted for the benefit of both Directors Gmelin and Griggs who were present. The feeling appeared to be that DXCC fees as proposed should be deferred pending study and determination of a fee schedule for other operating awards such as WAS, RCC, A-1 Operator, PSNR, BPL, or whatever. During the discussion one chap suggested that contests should also be included.

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## Contests

May 3 - 4 Bermuda CW Contest. 0001Z May 3 to 0200Z May 4.

May 10 0000 to 2400Z World Telecommunications Phone test RS ÷ ITU zone.

May 10 ARRL FMT.

May 10 - 11 USSR M-CQ DX test 2100Z May 10 to 2100Z May 11, 80-10m, RST + 001,  
etc.

May 17 0000 - 2400Z World Telecommunications CW test, RST + ITU zone.

May 17    Armed Forces Day, WAR, NSS, AIR, NPG, etc.

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### Directory Additions and Corrections:

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Los Angeles, CA. 90068  
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CHINA - Mainland China ham band activity "very likely" sometime late this year, according to a recent far-eastern traveler. Several universities already have club "stations" whose members are on SWling the DX bands daily. (HR Reports, 3/28)

WALPID has left the employ of the ARRL in favor of work in Michigan in preparation for a return to college at Idaho State this September. CW contacts in Field Day will count double this year.

Activity Reports for May

Ray, WA6LBP, Ventura

KC4AAC	7 mHz	0704Z	4/5
4K1F	7 cw	0457	4/11
8R1J	7 cw	0400	4/13
VK4AK/9	14ssb	0343	4/19
5W1AU	14ssb	0343	4/19
W9MR/CEØ	14cw	0210	4/21
KS6DH	14ssb	2245	3/29*
KB6CU	21ssb	2135	4/20*
VR1AC	21ssb	2137	4/20*
W9MR/CEØ	14cw	0122	4/21*

Ernie, W6KQY, Escondido

VK9XK	14227	1625Z	4/5**
9M8VLC	14242	1638	4/5
UF6DZ	14216	1700	4/5
HS3MJ	14277	1902	4/8
VR6TC	14228	1634	4/17
YU2RHG	14208	2315	4/17

Larry, K6YUL, Cerritos

JA1ELY	3.8	0929Z	4/4
8P6FW	3.8	0930	4/4
KP4AN	3.8	0955	4/4
KV4EZ	3.8	1013	4/4
KV4EV	3.8	0802	4/5
OA6CV	3.8	0408	4/6
VP9HM	3.8	0649	4/13
CR4BC	3.8	0658	4/13
KG4DS	3.8	0413	4/14
6W8DY	3.8	0731	4/17

Wes, W6BWG, San Gabriel

JA1EOD	3802	1328Z	3/24
VP8OC	14205	0025	3/25
VP8NY	14205	0028	3/25
UAØFGM	3807/3620		

Bill, WA6GFH, Vista

UK9ABA	14205	1534Z	4/1
UV3CE	14209	1451	4/2
SMØWH	14213	1633	4/2
LZ2VP	14211	1659	4/2
DK1QV	14202	1540	4/3
I7IPA	14213	1537	4/4
KV4BV	3803	0844	4/7
HR6SWA	3803	0846	4/7
8R1AG	3829	0941	4/7
KM6EA	3804	0859	4/10
G3HIC	14210	2031	4/12
UV3FD	14215	1351	4/16

Pete, W6APW, San Marino

YV4TI	3795	0418Z	3/26
OAN4AJI	7005	0436	3/26
ZS1A	7008	0440	3/26
HI3CNT	7002	0401	4/1
VP5CW	7028	0414	4/1
TF3IRA	7004	0227	4/2
VP2SAI	7010	0242	4/2
VP9HO	7014	0211	4/12
KZ5KP	7007	0214	4/12
FG7AM	7001	0226	4/12
HI8XRG	3791	0510	4/12
YN1WB	3783	0511	4/12
HR6SWA	3783	0511	4/12

ZD9GE	14225	1526	3/25
LA3YQ	14210	2232	3/26
UV3CE	14210	1438	4/2
LX1BJ	14332	1749	4/2
UK7GAL	14205	1445	4/3
DJ6IN	14233	1550	4/4
KM6EA	14338	2021	4/4
BV2B	14225	2321	4/4
CN8HD	14332	2048	4/5
VR6TC	21351	0012	4/16
LA5IS	14332	1636	4/18

Harvey, WA6KZI, Altadena

HI8LC	3786	0517Z	3/29
KM6EA	3802	0840	4/2
VK4AK/9	21325	0240	4/13
TI9DX	3795	0540	4/22

Irv, W6GC, Manhattan Beach

VP8ML	14208	2315Z	3/24#
CO5DM	7007	0030	4/9
KS6SFA	7031	0630	4/10
TI9DX	14024	1950	4/22
PZ1AP	14027	0055	4/22
WB8ABN/HCØ			
	14332	1705	4/23
VP2AYL	14332	1845	4/23

\* Worked while mobile.

\*\* Christmas Island.

# Fa lkland Islands.

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QSL INFO

BV2B	via	K3RLY
C21KM	ZL	buro/ZL1AIH
CR8AG		PY7YS
CR8AL		PY7YS
CVØZ		CX2CS
FC9RY		HB9TL
FMØBQC/FG7		W6HJP
FR7ZL/T		F8US
GC4BUE		G4BUE
HBØAZD		OH2TW
JY9CS		K5OEA
KG4DS		WB8LUI
KL2AMP		WB2FVO
KS6FF		W6KLI

PYØYS	via	PY7YS
PW4KL		PY4KL
VE8RCS		WA7OBH
VP2A		W5NOP
VP2DM		WA1ABV
VP2SV		K3GYD
VP2VBV		WØUQD
VP5D		W4ORT
VP5M		WB4QKE
VP8OB		G4DIF
VQ9SS		G4DII
VK4AK/9		W7OK
VK9XK		W2GHK
VR4BS		ZL4NH

VS5DB	via	JA2KLT
W9MR/CEØ		K3RLY
VU2ABC		WA1FEO
ZP5TI		WA3TAO
ZP9AR		DK6KA
ZP9CA		DK6KA
ZW4AKL		PY4AKL
ZS1XR		W7VRO
3V8CA		F6CPU
5B4CA		G4AWJ
5W1AU		W6KNH
6W8DY		VE4SK
6W8FP		WA3NCP

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Try the repeater. 146.37 input and 146.97 output. Well the output has been down a few dB the past week or so, but hopefully it will be corrected soon, HI.